GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

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DEVELOPMENT OF SLUMS AND JHUGGIES IN KARNATAKA
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Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any scheme from the Government of Karnataka for the development of slums and jhuggies in bigger cities of the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken by the Union Government for the development of slums, city-wise; and

(d) the total number of slum dwellers expected to be benefited by such measures?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA) :

(a) and (b) The Government of Karnataka submitted following two slum improvement projects in March, 2001:

(i) Slum Upgradation and Development Programme for 21 Class-I Cities in Karnataka.

(ii) Integrated Slum Development Programme for Bangalore City.

(c) and (d) Slum development is a State subject. The State Governments formulate specific plans, programmes and schemes for development of slums in various towns/cities as per their priorities and make necessary provisions therefor, in their respective State Plans. However, with a view to ameliorate the living conditions of the slum dwellers, a programme known as National Slum Development Programme (NSDP) was launched at the National level by the Government in August, 1996 for the development of urban slums in order to assist the State Governments in Slum rmprDvement.

Besides a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme called Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana (VAMBAY) was launched on 02.12.2001 with a view to ameliorating the conditions of the urban slums dwellers living below the poverty line who do not possess adequate shelter. The Scheme has the primary objective to facilitate the construction and up-gradation of the dwelling units for the slum dwellers and to provide health and enabling urban environment through community toilets under Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan, a component of the Scheme.